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Presentation Schedule



Thursday, August 6

Bi-specific Stressors and Mental Health: The Role of Self-Compassion

Division 44, Poster Session I | Thursday, August 6 | 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Emily Vi, MS

Co-Authors: Jared W. Boot-Haury, PsyD, MBA, ABPP; Dottie Gill; Rel Friedman; Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

Psychological Flexibility, Gender Minority Stress, and Mental Health Among TNB Adults

Division 44, Poster Session I | Thursday, August 6 | 10:00–11:00 a.m. Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Aarti Poduval

Co-Authors: Ava Nusblatt; Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

Social Constraints and PTSD in Treatment-Seeking Recently Bereaved Parents

Division 56, Poster Session II | Thursday, August 6 | 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Kinsey C. Glanz, MS

Co-Authors: Michelle Magana; Teresa S. Kim, MS; Taylor Dichsen, MS; Noa Dunevich, MS; Matthew Cordova

Gender Differences in Fear and Dissociation During Acts of Bravery

Division 56, Poster Session I | Thursday, August 6 | 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Sana Usmani

Co-Authors: Julianna Christofi, BA; Bruce Bongar

"Giving Back" Builds Resilience in Rural Migrant Pediatric Cancer Survivors

Division 54, Poster Session I | Thursday, August 6 | 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Shilpa Jujjavarapu

Co-Authors: Kelley Bloomer; Sita G. Patel, PhD; Catherine Benedict; Matthew Cordova; Arim Cordova; Stephanie M. Smith

Ethics Committee Hot Topic: Unintended Ethical Consequences of AI Adoption

APA Ethics Committee Symposium | Thursday, August 6 | 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Level 3, Ballroom AB

Presenter: Nancy A. Haug, PhD

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Friday, August 7

Longitudinal Change in Gender Minority Stress and Resilience in TNB Adults

Division 44, Poster Session II | Friday, August 7 | 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Ash Wang, BA

Co-Authors: Angelica Fermin, BA; Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

Childhood Abuse, Internalized Binegativity, and Plurisexual Mental Health

Division 44, Poster Session II | Friday, August 7 | 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Teagan P. Novick, MS

Co-Authors: Dottie Gill; Rel Friedman; Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

Multiply Divergent: AuDHD, Gender Identity and Mental Health

Division 44, Symposium | Friday, August 7 | 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147B

Presenters: Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD; Megan A. Abels, MS; Maxwell G. Hart, BS; Kaila M. R. Young, MS

Community Partnership Research in Low Resource/High Conflict Regions

APA Committee on Early Career Psychologists, Critical Conversation | Friday, August 7 | 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147A

Presenter: Sita G. Patel, PhD

Emotional and Cultural Factors of Moral Judgment in a Global Pandemic

Division 08, Poster Session II | Friday, August 7 | 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Crisha Amistad, BA

Co-Authors: Sita G. Patel, PhD; Shilpa Jujjavarapu

Saturday, August 8

Ethics Committee Hot Topic: Ethics and Advocacy

APA Ethics Committee Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 8:30–9:30 a.m.

Level 3, Ballroom AB

Presenter: Nancy A. Haug, PhD

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Gender and Context in the Perception of Physical Bravery

Division 19, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 12:00–1:00 p.m. Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Sana Usmani

Co-Authors: Julianna Christofi, BA; Carolina Rader, BS; Holly McGrath; Bruce Bongar

Criminal Justice Involvement and Sociodemographic Factors in LGBTQ+ Adults

Division 41, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Megan A. Abels, MS

Co-Authors: Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

How Trauma and Depression Relate to PTSD Malingering Endorsement

Division 41, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Rafael Zuleta

Co-Authors: Hannah O'Connell, MA; Emily Golling; Christopher M. Weaver, PhD

Resilience and Minority Stress in the Mental Health of Asexual Trans Adults

Division 44, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Street Level, East Salon C

Presenters: Jared W. Boot-Haury, PsyD, MBA, ABPP; Kaela Joseph; Kimberly F. Balsam, PhD

Clinical Emergencies: A Culturally Informed Training Model

Division 29, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Holly McGrath

Co-Authors: Chy'enne Verrett, MS; Sana Usmani; Julianna Christofi, BA; Bruce Bongar

The Role of Personal Experience in Cultural Competence

Division 45, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Danica Mavroudis, MA

Co-Authors: Taya Stephens, BS; Lester A. Papa, PhD

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Reward and Relief Drinking Motives as Pathways to Alcohol Consequences

Division 50, Poster Session II | Saturday, August 8 | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

Level 2, Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

1st Author: Rose A. Spinna, BS

Co-Authors: Natalie Cuccia, BS; Holly McGrath; Brianna Lee; Amie Haas

Risk and Protective Factors Impacting Military and Veteran Populations

Division 19, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 3:00–4:00 p.m.

Level 2, Room 201

Presenter: Alexander J. Erickson, PhD

Bridging Trauma-Informed Care and Training: Advancing Integrative Practice

Division 56, Skill Building | Saturday, August 8 | 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 140B

Presenters: Kayleigh Watters, PhD; Karan Dilawari; Sabrin Ghuman; Yaqi Huang; Tara Kyaw; Lindsay Jamieson; Glenda May; Dea Nair; Sachita Pokhrel; Shalet Punnoos

Large-Scale Network Correlates of Social Media Use and Attention

Division 40, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147B

Presenters: Aashka Patel, BS; Robert Hickson; Hanna Young; Tilman Schulte, PhD

Trauma Moderates Longitudinal Salience-Thalamus FC and Emotion Regulation

Division 40, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147B

Presenters: Robert Hickson; Lana Marks, MS; Colin Simsarian, MS; Eva M. Mueller-Oehring; Tilman Schulte, PhD

Family Dynamics and Emotion Regulation in Youth Suicidality

Division 40, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147B

Presenters: Shan Zhang, MA; Robert Hickson; Tilman Schulte, PhD

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Neural Bases of Working Memory in Bilingual and Monolingual Adolescents

Division 40, Symposium | Saturday, August 8 | 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Street Level, Room 147B

Presenters: Monica Calderon, MA; Robert Hickson; Jonastasya Griffith; Lindsay Jamieson; Tilman Schulte, PhD

Paths to Professional Well-Being: Investigating Physician Self-Valuation

Division 01, Virtual Poster Session | Saturday, August 8 | 10:00–11:00 p.m.

Virtual

1st Author: Ilana Hayutin, MS

Co-Authors: Maryam Makowski, PhD

Parent Satisfaction with Healthcare Services for Children with Social, Emotional, and Behavioral Challenges

Division 12, Virtual Poster Session | Saturday, August 8 | 10:00–11:00 p.m.

Virtual

1st Author: Sukkhmani Oberoi, MS

Co-Authors: Eleanor Palser, PhD; Robert Friedberg, PhD; Matthew Cordova

Acceptability and Brief Effects of Mindfulness Practices in Adult ADHD

Division 12, Virtual Poster Session | Saturday, August 8 | 10:00–11:00 p.m.

Virtual

1st Author: Tamara Garcia, PhD

Co-Authors: Mikael Rubin

Heteronormativity as a Predictor of Self-Esteem in a Sample of U.S. Women

Division 35, Virtual Poster Session | Saturday, August 8 | 10:00–11:00 p.m.

Virtual

1st Author: Madina Barekzia, MS

Co-Authors: Janice Habarth